



District 10 Residents and Friends,

It seems like September came faster than ever this year! I'm sure many of you are going through the excitement of sending your children back to school and perhaps even just getting back from a fantastic August vacation. I had the opportunity to meet a number of residents in the Blossom Valley area who were participating in one of the many neighborhood clean-ups that our city coordinates each year. While I was chatting with local residents, I realized just how passionate our District 10 community is when it comes to taking care of our local neighborhoods. The popularity of the clean-ups is amazing.

Only one week after that cleanup, the same neighborhood was notified that spraying for mosquitoes carrying West Nile Virus would be occurring over a two day period. With West Nile Virus becoming a mounting issue within our area, I wanted to find out as much as I could for both my own benefit, as well as to inform you. The Santa Clara County Vector control held a meeting within the affected communities. Since the Vector Control meeting occurred while I was at the City Council's night session, my Communications Aide attended on my behalf. I gained a great deal of knowledge about the spraying process, as well as the virus itself.

Amazingly, one of the best steps that people can take is one that many of you as conscientious District 10 residents are already taking. By making the effort to keep our neighborhoods clean, we are all helping in the fight against the West Nile virus. In fact, with the primary breeding ground for West Nile carrying mosquitoes being standing pools of water, one of the best ways to halt the spread of West Nile is as simple as removing the water before it becomes a problem.

Now as we move into the Fall months, the threat of West Nile virus will begin to naturally decrease as many mosquito populations go into hibernation. Even so, it's my aim to provide each of you with the ability to learn more about West Nile Virus, and you can do just that by visiting our new West Nile page on the web at www.sanjoseca.gov/district10/wnv.asp.

Remember that by taking the time to care for our neighborhoods through clean-ups and the vigilance of District 10 residents, we can ensure not only a beautiful atmosphere in our district, but also a safe community where our families can live and thrive.

Best wishes,

Nancy Pyle
Councilmember, District Ten

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District 10 Announcements

- **Hurricane Katrina Aid Update** - The City of San Jose is working in partnership with the County of Santa Clara to aid in the disaster relief effort currently going on in Louisiana. Our hearts go out to the victims of Hurricane Katrina and their families. To learn how you can help, please visit the City of San Jose homepage at <http://www.sanjoseca.gov/>
- **All San Jose Public Libraries** (excluding King) will open at 1 PM on Friday, October 7th, due to library in-service training from 9-11 AM.
- **The Residential Street Sealing program** that began on July 18 and was completed August 9th targeted approximately 32 miles of streets which needed to be sealed.

Events for September

The Almaden Valley Womens Club presents the **29th Annual Almaden Valley Art & Wine Festival on Sunday, September 25, 2005 from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.** This is the second year the festival will be held at the **Almaden Lake Park**, near the intersection of Almaden Expressway and Coleman Avenue in San Jose's Almaden community. This free family oriented festival includes a variety of arts and crafts, premium wine and beer, entertainment on two stages, and a special children's area! All festival proceeds are donated back to the community as contributions to schools, charities, and scholarships for local students. For more information, please visit the festival website at www.almadenartwinefestival.com

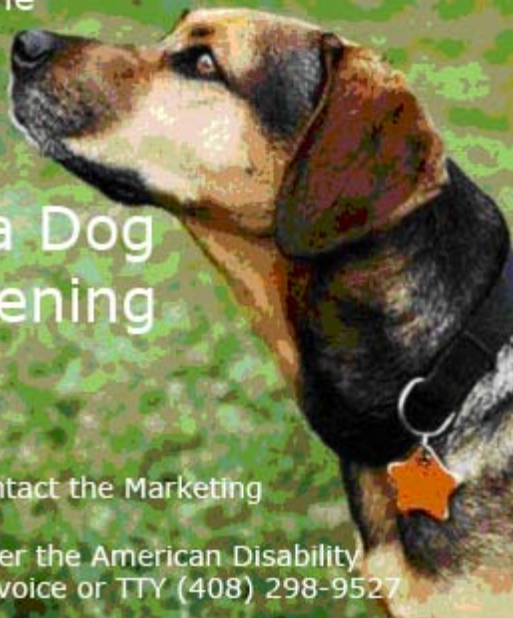
Come visit my booth at the Festival and meet the following individuals who have been invited to attend as VIPs:

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| • Mayor Ron Gonzales | • Harry Mavrogenes -Executive Director, Redevelopment Agency |
| • Vice Mayor Cindy Chavez | • John Weis - Deputy Executive Director, Redevelopment Agency |
| • Jeff Clet - Fire Chief | • Tuck Younis -Assistant Chief of Police |
| • Mark Skeen - Fire Engineer, Executive Vice President of the San Jose Fire Fighters Union | |

Councilmember Nancy Pyle and the City of San Jose invite you to attend

Jeffrey Fontana Dog Park Grand Opening
September 24, 2005
11:00 am - 12:00 pm

For more information, please contact the Marketing and Events Office at 793-4188
To arrange accommodations under the American Disability Act, please call (408) 793-4188 voice or TTY (408) 298-9527



City Wide Phone List

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| Call Center | 277-4000 |
| Police Non-Emergency | 311 |
| Anti-Graffiti/Litter | 277-3208 |
| Animal Care | 501-2130 |
| City Arborist | 277-2762 |
| Crime Prevention | 277-4133 |
| Crime Stoppers | 947-STOP |
| Drug Hotline | 971-DRUG |
| DOT | 277-4304 |
| Environmental Services | 277-5533 |
| Hazardous Materials | 277-4659 |
| Housing | 277-5431 |
| Neighborhood Development Center | 392-6771 |
| Parking Enforcement | 277-5305 |
| Vehicle Abatement | 277-4477 |
| Gang Hotline | 293-4264 |

Community Spotlight

Nancy extends her congratulations to the following groups & individuals for the month of September!

- Tish Allen
- Len Procker
- Westfield Shopping & the Salvation Army
- Elks Lodge #522
- Almaden Hills United Methodist Church
- San Jose Unified School District

To find out why these extraordinary groups and individuals are being congratulated, visit the Community Spotlight page on our website

District 10 Forum for October

Discussion & Dessert - Coyote Valley Specific Plan
Wednesday, October 5th at 6:30 PM
Almaden Winery Neighborhood Center

Come join Nancy and the City of San Jose's Planning Department as they give an overview of plans for Coyote Valley. Since taking office, Councilmember Pyle has responded to many concerns and questions from District 10 residents regarding this area. Through this forum, Councilmember Pyle aims to keep District 10 residents well informed and address the transportation concerns regarding Coyote Valley's impact on District 10.

San Jose City Highlights

Have you seen San Jose's New City Hall?

Construction of a New City Hall in Downtown San Jose is nearly complete – a momentous conclusion to nearly a decade of research and planning that involved residents, businesses, elected officials and City staff. The new City Hall will greatly improve access to City services and government in San Jose.

Fun Facts About the New City Hall

- *Total area* – 530,000 sq. ft., *Height* – The 18-story tower is 285 ft. at its highest point, *Capacity* – 1,750 employees
- 14,400,000 pounds (9,800 pieces) of structural steel; enough to make about 8 billion paperclips
- 4,365 light fixtures; 2,233 fire alarms; 1,032 pieces of glass make up the Rotunda dome, 100 ft. = Diameter of the Rotunda
- 108 ft. = Rotunda height; 285 ft. = Tower height, 439 stairs from parking level to the 18th floor of the Tower
- The facility includes state-of-the-art technology including wireless services for use by the public. It is also a customer-service-focused building where customer service activities are centered on the first four floors, including Development Services & Centralized Cashiers, for easy access.

Come join us on **October 15, 2005** for a festive public event featuring community and cultural performances, children's activities, information on City services, and refreshments to mark the official completion and opening of the entire New City Hall complex, complete with the unveiling of the rotunda, a spectacular backdrop for the day's ceremonies!

Neighborhood Center

UPCOMING COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP ACADEMY

All classes are offered at **no cost**, but space is limited. Please call 408.392.6771 or send an email to ndc@sanjoseca.gov to register.

Classes are held at 43 East Gish Rd., Suite 100

- **San José Prepared!**

Thursday, September 22, 2005, 6:30pm - 8:30pm

The devastating results of Hurricane Katrina begs the question... Are you prepared for an emergency? This is a brief look into the San José Prepared! Program. Find out what you and your neighbors can do to ensure that you're prepared for any type of disaster when emergency services cannot reach you.



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San José Beautiful Grants

Don't forget! San José Beautiful grants are due on September 30, 2005! Call to see if your project qualifies for a beautification grant. For more information and to request an application, call our office at 408.392.6771.

Volunteer San Jose

Have some free time? Consider volunteering! Check out the many opportunities available throughout the City on the Volunteer San José website: <http://www.volunteersanjose.org/>. With so many opportunities, there's bound to be something that piques your interest! Love animals? Want to beautify your neighborhood? Take a look at the Volunteer San José website or call 408.535.3500 for more information.

For more information regarding the Neighborhood Center please contact Community Relations Coordinator, Daniella Polar, at 408-535-4910 or <mailto:daniella.polar@sanjoseca.gov>

San Jose Facts & Trivia

- As of August 23rd, 2005 there have been 29,987,839 books checked out in all San Jose Libraries
- San Jose's first city hall was called Pueblo de San Jose de Guadalupe

And now for this month's trivia question:

In 2001 Congressman Mike Honda was awarded the Heinlen Award by the Chinese historical and Cultural Project. Who was John Heinlen and why is he remembered by the Chinese community in San Jose?

- Answers to this and more can be found on the D10 website –

City Council Meetings

The City Council convenes every Tuesday at 1:30 PM at 200 East Santa Clara Street. On the first and third Tuesday of the month the Council meets at 7:00 PM for Public Hearings.

Looking for even more news?

Have you visited the District 10 website lately? We're constantly upgrading it with new features like our recently added Coyote & Mountain Lion page and keeping up to date on the D10 news that's important to you. Come check it out at <http://www.sanjoseca.gov/district10/> and see what's new!

Or find even more information with these helpful web links ...

Santa Clara County Vector Control – www.sccvector.org/
SJPd's Vehicular Crime Unit – www.sjpd.org/zsketch/VCUweb/vcu-page.htm

Community Calendar

Thursday, Sept. 8: 9:00 AM-10:30 AM
Santa Teresa Foothills Neighborhood Association Monthly Meeting
Southside Community Center; 5585 Cottle Road

Monday, Sept. 12: 7:00 PM-8:30 PM
Almaden Valley Community Association meeting - Councilmember to Speak
McDonald's Restaurant; 5925 Almaden Expressway

Wednesday, Sept. 14: 6:00 PM-7:30 PM
Hoffman/Via Monte Neighborhood Association Monthly Meeting
Almaden Hills United Methodist Church; 1200 Blossom Hill Road

Wednesday, Sept. 14: 7:30 PM-8:30 PM
Montevideo Homeowners Association Monthly Meeting
Corner of Coleman and Camden, in the clubhouse behind the pool

Wednesday, Sept. 14: 7:30 PM-8:30 PM
Blossom Hill Homeowners Association Monthly Meeting
319 Velasco Drive

Wednesday, Sept. 21: 6:30 PM-8:30 PM
Hoffman/Via Monte Neighborhood Action Council (NAC) Monthly Meeting
Almaden Hills United Methodist Church; 1200 Blossom Hill Road

Saturday, Sept. 24: 11:00 AM-12:00 PM
Fontana Dog Park Opening - Councilmember to Speak
Golden Oak Way and Paseo Pueblo drive

Sunday, Sept. 25: 10:00 AM-6:00 PM
Almaden Valley Art and Wine Festival
Almaden Lake Park, Almaden Expressway and Coleman Avenue

Tuesday, Sept. 27: 7:30 PM
VEP General Meeting
Gunderson High School

Wednesday, Oct. 5: 6:30 PM
Discussion and Dessert – Coyote Valley's Impact on District 10
Almaden Winery Community Center; 5730 Chambertin Drive

